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SUBJECT: GOVT PROCUREMENT AT TRADE COMMITTEE MEETING

1. ON THE BASIS OF RECENT US-EC CONSULTATIONS ON THE MTN, IT HAS BECOME CLEAR THAT NO PROGRESS CAN BE MADE ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT UNTIL THE US AND EC CAN MEET TO DEAL WITH THE MAJOR OUTSTANDING ISSUES ON A POLITICAL LEVEL. UNTIL US AND EC HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES FOR RESOLVING THEIR DIFFERENCES, FURTHER DISCUSSIONS AT TECHNICAL LEVEL ARE NOT LIKELY TO BE PRODUCTIVE.

2. IN LIGHT OF PARA NO. 1, IT WOULD NOT BE TIMELY TO  
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UNDERTAKE ANY NEW INITIATIVES AT UPCOMING MEETING OF OECD

TRADE COMMITTEE, INCLUDING ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEGOTIATING GROUP. HIJZEN OF THE EC INDICATED TO US HE WOULD CALL VAN LENNEP TO INFORM HIM OF THE NEED FOR INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS BEFORE A DECISION CAN BE TAKEN ON THE BEST WAY TO PROCEED. SUGGEST MISSION CALL VAN LENNEP TO GIVE HIM THE SAME MESSAGE.

3. US POSITION ON REPORT OF GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT WORKING PARTY AT TRADE COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE TO THANK WORKING PARTY FOR ITS WORK, AND TO INDICATE NEED TO REFLECT ON

THE RESULTS OF THIS WORK IN CAPITALS. DELEGATIONS WOULD BE INVITED TO DISCUSS RESULTS OF THEIR REFLECTIONS AT NEXT MEETING OF TRADE COMMITTEE. KISSINGER UNQTE.

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